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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of
Delmar Lanzer)
Serial No. 09/751,645)
Filed: December 29, 2000)
Title: COUNTERBALANCED ADVANCING
METAL CUTTING SAW)

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Examiner: Omar Flores-Sánchez)
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 25, 2002, please consider the following and additionally, please provide any extension of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 02-0390, Baker & Daniels, but not to include payment of issue fees. Furthermore, prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully submits the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please amend claims 11, 16, and 17 as follows:

11. The power saw of claim 9, further comprising a plurality of rails, at least one of said plurality of rails operatively connected to said support plate, and at least one of said plurality of rails operatively connected to said counterweight, whereby said rails are adapted to actuate in opposite directions, wherein said pivot support is disposed beneath said rails.

16. The power saw of claim 14 further comprising at least one pivot support wherein said saw support plate is supported above said platform by said pivot support.

17. The power saw of claim 16, further comprising a plurality of rails, at least one of said plurality of rails operatively connected to said support plate, and at least one of said plurality of rails operatively connected to said counterweight, whereby said rails are adapted to actuate in opposite directions, wherein said pivot support is disposed beneath said rails.

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